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**37270-121905**

**ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION**

**DECEMBER 19, 2005  
2:00 P.M.**

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER**

**AGENDA**

**1. Call to Order--Roll Call.**

The Invocation was delivered by Council Member Alfred T. Dowe, Jr.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mayor C. Nelson Harris.

Welcome. Mayor Harris.

**NOTICE:**

Today's Council meeting will be replayed on Channel 3 on Thursday, December 22, 2005, at 7:00 p.m., and Saturday, December 24, 2005, at 4:00 p.m. Council meetings are offered with closed captioning for the hearing impaired.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

THE PUBLIC IS ADVISED THAT MEMBERS OF COUNCIL RECEIVE THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA AND RELATED COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, ETC., ON THE WEDNESDAY PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETING TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR REVIEW OF INFORMATION. CITIZENS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN OBTAINING A COPY OF ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA MAY CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 456, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W., OR CALL 853-2541.

THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE PROVIDES THE MAJORITY OF THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ON THE INTERNET FOR VIEWING AND RESEARCH PURPOSES. TO ACCESS AGENDA MATERIAL, GO TO THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT [WWW.ROANOKEVA.GOV](http://WWW.ROANOKEVA.GOV). CLICK ON THE SERVICE ICON, CLICK ON COUNCIL AGENDAS, TO ACCESS THE APPROPRIATE AGENDA AND COUNCIL MEETING TO DOWNLOAD THE ADOBE TO ACCESS THE AGENDA.

ALL PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ARE REQUESTED TO REGISTER WITH THE STAFF ASSISTANT WHO IS LOCATED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. ON THE SAME AGENDA ITEM, ONE TO FOUR SPEAKERS WILL BE ALLOTTED FIVE MINUTES EACH, HOWEVER, IF THERE ARE MORE THAN FOUR SPEAKERS, EACH SPEAKER WILL BE ALLOTTED THREE MINUTES.

ANY PERSON WHO IS INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A CITY COUNCIL APPOINTED AUTHORITY, BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 853-2541, OR ACCESS THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT [WWW.ROANOKEVA.GOV](http://WWW.ROANOKEVA.GOV), TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION.

## **2. PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award.

**File #1-60-80**

3.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Approved (7-0)**

**ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.**

- C-1 Minutes of the special meetings of Council held on Tuesday, November 1, 2005, and Thursday, November 3, 2005, and the regular meeting held on Monday, November 7, 2005.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve as recorded.**

- C-2 A communication from Mayor C. Nelson Harris requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council, and to interview an applicant for a vacancy on the Roanoke Redevelopment and Housing Authority, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concur in the request.  
File #110-178**

- C-3 A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council schedule a public hearing for Tuesday, January 3, 2006, at 2:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, to execute a lease with Elias Azar d/b/a Azar Jewelry, Inc., for space located in the City Market Building.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concur in the request.  
File #42-373**

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

**4. PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE.**

## 5. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- a. A request of Ginny Harden, Director of Prevention for Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare, and Chair, Roanoke Prevention Planning Team, to present youth data – Roanoke Youth Advocates. (Sponsored by the City Manager.)  
**File #304–335**

## 6. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

- a. CITY MANAGER:

BRIEFINGS: NONE.

### ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

1. Acceptance of Western Virginia Workforce Development Board Workforce Investment Act funds, in the amount of \$581,933.00, for Program Year 2005.  
**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 37270–121905 and Resolution No. 37271–121905. (7–0)**  
**File #60–72–236–246**
  2. Amendment of the City Code to revise parking regulations in order to increase the availability of downtown on–street parking and to increase the efficiency of parking enforcement fine collection efforts.  
**Adopted Ordinance No. 37272–121905. (7–0)**  
**File #5–20–24**
- b. DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:
    1. Authorization to issue up to \$5,500,000.00 in Bond Anticipation Notes to be reimbursed from bond proceeds from the upcoming bond sale.  
**Adopted Resolution No. 37273–121905. (7–0)**  
**File #53**

## **7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

- a. Request of the Roanoke City School Board for appropriation of funds to various school accounts; and a report of the Director of Finance recommending that Council concur in the request. Kenneth F. Mundy, Executive Director of Fiscal Services, Spokesperson.  
**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 37274-121905. (7-0)**  
**File #60-467**

## **8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.**

## **9. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS: NONE.**

## **10. MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

- a. Inquiries and/or comments by the Mayor and Members of City Council.

**Council Member McDaniel commended those City employees who serve the citizens of Roanoke during inclement weather, especially during times of snow and ice removal.**

**File #80-184**

**Council Member Wishneff advised that the problems of Roanoke's youth have nothing to do with construction of stadia at the two high schools.**

**File #467**

**Council Member Dowe expressed appreciation for the opportunity to represent the City of Roanoke at the National League of Cities on December 6 - 10, 2005, in Charlotte, North Carolina.**

**File #228**

- b. Vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council.

## **11. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS:**

**CITY COUNCIL SETS THIS TIME AS A PRIORITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD. MATTERS REQUIRING REFERRAL TO THE CITY MANAGER WILL BE REFERRED IMMEDIATELY FOR RESPONSE, RECOMMENDATION OR REPORT TO COUNCIL.**

**Mr. Chris Craft, 1501 East Gate Avenue, N. E., advised that a tremendous amount of time has been spent on the Victory Stadium issue and it is time to turn the City's focus in other directions in order to address more pressing matters.**

**File #122**

**Ms. Helen E. Davis, 35 Patton Avenue, N. E., spoke with regard to the renovation of Victory Stadium and the construction of stadia at the two high schools.**

**File #122-467**

**Mr. Jim Fields, 17 Ridgecrest Road, Hardy, Virginia, spoke in support of the renovation of Victory Stadium.**

**File #122**

**Mr. Robert E. Gravely, 727 29th Street, N. W., spoke with regard to various issues of concern.**

**File #66**

## **12. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:**

**The City Manager advised of a project sponsored by the City's Service Excellence Committee to provide Christmas gift bags to kindergarten students in Gulfport, Mississippi.**

**File #80-184**

**The City Manager highlighted achievements by City departments during the calendar year 2005.**

**File #80-184**

**CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION. (7-0)**

**THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS TO BE RECONVENED AT 7:00 P.M., IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, ROOM 450, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING.**



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## **PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

First Annual Fire Prevention Week Art Contest – Recognition of winners.  
**File #70**

Recognition of H. David Hoback, recipient, 2005 Governor’s Award for Outstanding EMS Administrator.  
**File #70–354**

### **A. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

1. Request of Fielden and Mary Bayne that a portion of Laura Road, N. W., be permanently vacated, discontinued and closed. Fielden Bayne, Spokesperson.  
**Adopted Ordinance No. 37275–121905. (7–0)**  
**File #514**
2. Proposal of the City of Roanoke to amend Vision 2001–2020, the City’s Comprehensive Plan, to include the Roanoke Library Comprehensive Study. R. Brian Townsend, Agent, City Planning Commission.  
**Adopted Ordinance No. 37276–121905. (7–0)**  
**File #323–424**
3. Proposal of the City of Roanoke to amend the City Charter to add new Section 19.1, authorizing advisory referenda in the City of Roanoke on “any proposed question or group of questions relating to the affairs of the City.” William M. Hackworth, City Attorney.  
**Adopted Resolution No. 37277–121905. (6–1, Council Member McDaniel voted no.)**  
**File #24–175**

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**Ms. Theresa Gill-Walker, 2807 Ordway Drive, N. W., advised that stadia at the two high schools will separate the community.  
File #122**

**Mr. Shaheed Omar, 1219 Loudon Avenue, N. W., spoke with regard to alleged police brutality.  
File #5**

**Mr. Jim Fields, 17 Ridgecrest Road, Hardy, Virginia, spoke in support of the renovation of Victory Stadium.  
File #122**